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Member for Ginninderra

RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Questions on Notice Paper No 39

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Question No. 1616

MS LAWDER: To ask the Minister for City Services —

- (1) In relation to ACT public libraries, what is the current full-time equivalent (FTE) budget for each library i.e. for 2023-24.
- (2) What was the FTE for each library in (a) 2021-22 and (b) 2022-23.
- (3) For each library, how many positions are vacant and are they included in FTE count referred to in part (1).
- (4) What was the total employee expense for ACT Libraries for each year since 2016-17.

Tara Cheyne MLA – The answer to the Member's questions are as follows:

- (1) The total budgeted FTE for Public Libraries in 2023/2024 is 55.36

Library Location	Budgeted Funded FTE
Belconnen Library	8.81
Civic Library	1.65
Dickson Library	8.55
Erindale Library	1.39
Gungahlin Library	8.27
Kippax Library	6.52
Tuggeranong Library	6.51
Woden Library	10.83
Kingston Library	2.83
Total Public Libraries	55.36

For noting, where staff members work across two sites, for example Dickson and Civic branch, their FTE is listed as sitting within the larger branch. Civic and Erindale branches are smaller branches and



the FTE reflects this, however, does not necessarily indicate it is the only number of staff who work at them.

(2)

- a. The total budgeted FTE for Public Libraries in 2021/2022 was 46.85.

Library Location	Budgeted Funded FTE
Belconnen Library	5.85
Civic Library	5.01
Dickson Library	6.34
Erindale Library	4.48
Gungahlin Library	6.82
Kippax Library	5.00
Tuggeranong Library	4.80
Woden Library	6.88
Kingston Library	1.67
Total Public Libraries	46.85

- b. The total budgeted FTE for Public Libraries in 2022/2023 was 56.18

Library Location	Budgeted Funded FTE
Belconnen Library	7.14
Civic Library	3.67
Dickson Library	8.97
Erindale Library	4.82
Gungahlin Library	8.57
Kippax Library	5.62
Tuggeranong Library	5.78
Woden Library	8.32
Kingston Library	3.29
Total Public Libraries	56.18

- (3) As of 16 February 2024, there are 5 FTE vacant across Public Libraries. Recruitment is currently underway to fill these vacancies. These vacancies are counted in budgeted FTE referred to in question one (1).

Library Location	Vacancy Number
Civic	1
Dickson	1
Tuggeranong	1
Woden	2
Total Vacancies	5

(4) See table below:

	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024 (YTD)
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Total staffing expenses	8,713	9,114	9,467	10,264	10,627	10,645	10,734	6,698

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Minister for City Services

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